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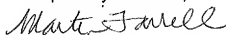
Applicant respectfully submits that the application is ready for examination on the merits.

Claims 1-18 are pending. Claims 1-18 read on the elected species of Figures 1A-C and 2.

Claims 1, 2, 7, 8 and 13 have been amended to clarify the invention.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if there are any questions or to facilitate prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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